CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670

Notice of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Scoping Meeting regarding

Development of Amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins to revise Water Quality Objectives for pH and Turbidity

The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Regional Board) staff will hold a CEQA scoping meeting to discuss the development of amendments to the Water Quality Control Plan (Basin Plan) to revise the water quality objectives for pH and turbidity.

Staff will be proposing for Regional Board consideration to delete the parts of the pH objective that limit the change in pH to 0.5 units and the allowance of averaging periods for pH. Staff will also be proposing that turbidity be limited to no more than 2 NTUs when the natural turbidity is less than 1 NTUs.

The meeting is scheduled as follows:

Date: 19 August 2004 **Time:** 9:30 am to 11:30 am

Place: Regional Water Quality Control Board office

11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Who Should Attend: Public and private land owners, county officials in charge of land use and storm water management, federal, state, and local regulators and water management officials, environmental groups, and other groups or individuals interested in water quality objectives for pH and turbidity.

The Regional Board is the lead state agency charged with the protection of water quality in the Central Valley. The Regional Board's Basin Plan identifies beneficial uses, establishes water quality objectives and contains programs of implementation to meet those water quality objectives. The Regional Board goes through a formal public process to amend its Basin Plan.

This workshop will provide participants with: 1) an opportunity to comment on the appropriate scope and content of the "functionally equivalent" environmental document to be prepared pursuant to Section 21080.5 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); 2) an opportunity to comment on the scope of the proposed amendment to the Basin Plan; 3) an overview of the proposed Basin Plan Amendment; and 4) an opportunity to hear presentations from interested persons on the proposed amendment to the Basin Plan. Members of the Regional Board may be in attendance at the public workshop, however, no action will be taken on the proposed amendments to the Basin

Plan at this workshop. All comments will be included in the final administrative record. Following the workshop, staff will review comments received and prepare responses and a draft staff report for public comment. Regional Board consideration of the proposed amendment is expected in Summer or Fall 2005.

Questions regarding this issue should be directed to Betty Yee at (916) 464-4643 or YeeB@rb5s.swrcb.ca.gov or to Elizabeth Thayer at (916) 464-4671 or ThayerE@rb5s.swrcb.ca.gov. The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Yee at (916) 464-4643 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

/s/ JERROLD A. BRUNS, Environmental Program Manager

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